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CERTIFIED SEEDS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched a project to double the production of certified seeds of pulses;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the details regarding capital grants to the said project and number of farmers likely to be benefited therefrom;

(c) whether the Government proposes to expand the Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize (ISOPOM); and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir.To double the production of certified seeds of pulses, a project proposal of Indian Institute of Pulses Research, Kanpur to double the breeder seed production from 9220 quintals in 2007-08 to 18660 quintals by 2011-2012 has been sanctioned under National Food Security Mission (NFSM) Pulses. The States have been requested to place the indent with Department of Agriculture & Cooperation for making available the Breeder Seed of Pulses so that the production of certified seeds of pulses can be doubled in the next five years.

Government of India under NFSM − Pulses has sanctioned the following project of Indian Institute of Pulses Research, Kanpur during 2007-08:

(i) Strengthening of Infrastructure for breeder seed production through IIPR National Agriculture Research System (NARS) for Rs.10.00 crores (at the rate Rs.2.00 crores per year) for the entire 11th Plan.

(ii) Strengthening of training infrastructure and organizing training programme through IIPR and State Agriculture Universities for Rs.5.00 crores for the entire 11th Plan.

(c) & (d) : In order to expand the Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize (ISOPOM) and make it more effective, the scheme has been modified. The details of components, pattern of assistance and implementing agencies for XIth Plan under ISOPOM are enclosed at Annexure-I.